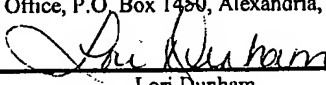


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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 18, 2006.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.